

Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) Program

Federal aid for Indian tribes and Alaska Native Villages to develop viable Indian communities.

Nature of Program: Offers grants on a competitive basis to eligible Indian tribes and Alaska Native Villages to improve the housing stock, provide community facilities, make infrastructure improvements, fund microenterprises, and expand job opportunities. Eligible activities include housing rehabilitation, acquisition of land for housing, and assistance for homeownership opportunities for low- and moderate-income persons. Grantees may also use funds for construction of single- or multi-use facilities, streets, and public facilities, as well as for economic development projects, especially those sponsored by nonprofit tribal organizations or local development corporations. Funds may not be used for constructing or improving government facilities, for new housing construction (unless carried out by an eligible nonprofit organization), for general government or income expenses, for operating or maintenance expenses, for political activities, or to purchase equipment.

Applicant Eligibility: Indian tribes, bands, groups, or nations, including Alaskan Indians, Aleuts, and Eskimos and Alaska Native Villages, that are eligible for assistance under the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act or had been eligible under the state and local Fiscal Assistance Act of 1972.

Funding Distribution: Under Section 106 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, one percent of the Title I CDBG appropriation, excluding amounts appropriated for use under Section 107, is allocated for grants to Indian tribes. This regional allocation, which goes to the Area Offices of Native American Programs (ONAP) responsible for the program, consists of a base amount plus a formula share of the balance of the Indian CDBG program funds. The funds are distributed by the Area ONAP Offices to Indian tribes and Alaska Native Villages on a competitive basis, according to selection criteria set forth in a regulation and Notice of Funding Availability.

Legal Authority: Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5301 *et seq.*). Regulations are at 24 CFR part 1003.

Administering Office: Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing,
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Washington, DC 20410.

Information Sources: HUD Area ONAP offices in Chicago, Denver, Oklahoma City, Phoenix, Seattle, and Anchorage.

On the Web: www.hud.gov/offices/pih/ih/grants/icdbg.cfm

Current Status: Active.